

# Welcome to Grace Baptist Church

The Grace Church family welcomes our guests today. As a guest, you are invited to register your presence today on the 'Encouragement Pad' as it is passed during the service. Our desire is to simply get to know you as well as share what God is doing through Grace Baptist Church.

# THIS WEEK @ GRACE

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Brian Collins (843) 861-7149

### SUNDAY, December 7

Morning Fellowship (coffee, snacks, etc. available in the CLC) Bible Study Groups for all gaes 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:30 am

Nursery available for infants on the Children's Wing

Kids Worship (Preschool - 5th Grade dismissed after Children's Sermon) Grace Kids Choir Musical Presentation: The Promise of Christmas ma 00:6

MONDAY, December 8 (Daniel 3)

TUESDAY, December 9 (Daniel 4)

# WEDNESDAY, December 10 (Obadiah)

Children in Action	6:30 pm
GBC Student Ministry	6:30 pm
Adult Prayer & Bible Study Group	6:30 pm
Grace Worship Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm

#### THURSDAY, December 11 (Ezekiel 40-44)

Men's Study Group @ Long Grain Restaurant 6:15 am

FRIDAY, December 12 (Ezekiel 45-48)

**SATURDAY, December 13** (Psalm 14)

The scripture references listed above correlate to the church's Bible Study passage in The Gospel Project. You are encouraged to read and reflect on each passage this week while asking God to speak to you.

#### **FOLLOW GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH**



@ Grace Baptist Church (Florence, SC)





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#### **GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH OFFICE**

Hours: Monday - Thursday (8:30 am - 1:00 pm) Email: aracebaptistch@bellsouth.net **Phone:** 843.662.5122

#### You Can Join the Grace Baptist Church Family In One of the Following Ways

- \*By profession of your trust in Jesus followed by baptism.
- \*By baptism. If you have previously made a public profession of your trust in Jesus but have not followed Jesus in baptism. (We practice immersion.)
- \*By statement. If you have previously made a public profession of your trust in Jesus and have followed Him in baptism (by immersion) but do not belong to a Baptist church.
- \*By transfer from another Baptist church. We will write to request your letter of membership.

For more information about your desire to join Grace Baptist Church please fill out the "Worship Registration" form on the website or call the church office and schedule time to talk with the pastor.



Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

Romans 5:1



We're making disciples who love the Lord, love one another and love the lost.

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#### ADVENT ANTICIPATION: THE PROMISED COMING

MARK 13:24-31

# Christmas Opportunities @ Grace

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Advent is a season of anticipation. The word "advent" means coming, so we celebrate Advent as a means of celebrating the anticipation of Jesus coming into the world to be our Savior. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

# KID'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL: The Promise of Christmas

Tonight, 6:00 pm in the Worship Center

# WORSHIP CHOIR MUSICAL

Sunday, December 14, 10:30 am

#### CHURCH-WIDE CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Wednesday, December 17, 6:30 pm

# PANCAKES WITH THE PASTOR

An annual tradition of food and fellowship with the church family. Sunday, December 21, 6:00 pm



# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE-LIGHT WORSHIP



The GBC Family is encouraged to invite family and friends as well as those in their sphere of influence to the Christmas Eve Service which will provide an opportunity to hear and experience the hope of Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, December 24, 5:00 pm

#### CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE at GBC

Share the love of Christ by "mailing" Christmas cards to the church family using the "post office" boxes located in the CLC. While there is no cost, everyone is asked to made a contribution to the Loving the Lost Mission Fund.



#### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

November 30 - December 7

You are invited to journey around the world through your prayers for the International Mission Board missionaries. Join the Great Commission task as, together, we find the lost, give help to the hurting, share the hope of Christ, and witness God grow His Church around the world.

Prayer guides are available to assist you in praying specifically.

#### LOVE OFFERING TODAY FOR BENEVOLENCE MINISTRY

Following the Morning Worship Service ushers will be stationed at the exit doors to receive today's love offering for GBC's Benevolence Ministry which provides Resources to assist individuals and families within the church and community in times of crisis and need. Please give as the Lord has blessed you to give.

# **POINSETTIAS**

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in "memory" or "honor" of someone by filling out an order form inserted in the bulletin. The cost is \$8.00. Please order by tomorrow, December 8.



Engaging Students Grades 6-12 with Jesus

#### WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

BIBLE STUDY - Sundays @ 9:30 am YOUTH GROUP - Wed. @ 6:30 pm

# GBC KIDS

#### **KID'S WORSHIP**

Kids, Preschool - 5th Grade, are dismissed and escorted to the Kid's Worship following the Children's Sermon during Worship. Parents are asked to pick-up their children after Worship in the Children's Wing.

# Kid's Worship Leaders

Today: Ruth Sims & Maria Buie (P)
Abbie Bailey & Hilary Faircloth (C)
12/14: Melanie (P)
Bill & Rita Russell (C)
12/21: Jean Sims & Ashlynn Bailey (P)
Marcie Bailey & Ashton Kinney (C)

#### **CHILDREN IN ACTION**

Kids meet on Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, to engage in missions, both learning about missions & hands-on mission projects.

#### 2026 PROPOSED MINISTRY BUDGET

The church budget for 2026 has been prepared by the Budget Committee and approved by the Deacons and is available for the church family to prayerfully review. Copies are available and will be presented for questions on Wednesday at 6:30 pm and then affirmation next Sunday during Morning Worship.

# FINANCIAL RECORD

Weekly Budget Needs - 6,389.47

# Giving for the Weeks of November 18, 2025

Budget Gifts	4,991.00
Loving the Lost	130.00
Building Fund	215.00
Stewardship Expenses	7.70
Operation Christmas Child	150.00
Benevolence	110.00
Total Gifts	5.603.70

#### Giving for the Weeks of November 25, 2025

Total Gifts	6,628.27
Vacation Bible School	10.00
Stewardship Expenses	6.20
Building Fund	295.00
Loving the Lost	285.00
Budget Gifts	4,167.00
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#### Living for the Weeks of December 2 2025

Giving for the weeks of Decer	nber 2, 2025
Budget Gifts	4,591.00
Loving the Lost	115.00
Building Fund	538.00
Stewardship Expenses	6.20
Vacation Bible School	10.00
Poinsettias	24.00
Total Gifts	5,284.20

# 2025 Budget (as of December 2, 2025)

Needs: \$ 306,694.56
Receipts: \$ 265,964.66
Expenses: \$ 277,317.88
A detailed report is available in office & in the CLC.

Thank you for your faithful gifts.